

Commodity Shelf Newsletter

December 2009

There are many projects going on here at DESE – SFS leaving little time to work on the December Commodity Shelf Newsletter but some important information has become available since the November Newsletter. Therefore here is a bulleted list of hot topics without the thorough explanations like normal. If you need additional information on any of the topics below, please contact the office, 573-751-2646. DESE – SFS would like to wish you, and all the School Food Service workers across the State of Missouri, Happy Holidays!!



- **Food Service Management Companies (FSMC) December 31 Inventory**

- The December 31 Inventory requirement for FSMC is **NO LONGER REQUIRED** due to a change in USDA requirements for FSMC to credit USDA Donated Foods upon receipt.

- **Commodity Expos January 26 – 28, 2010**

- Information for the [Commodity Expos](#) can be found on the [DESE – SFS Commodities Web Site](#). All LEA's are strongly encouraged to attend, specifically the person(s) responsible for completing the Processing Packet. [Registration](#) is free, but required. Deadline = 1/6/10.



- **Ground Beef Changes**

- USDA could not purchase all of MO's ground beef ([A608](#)) as planned. Adjustments to the delivery dates and amounts are noted on the Prorated List. Exact prorated quantities and delivery weeks are updated each month on the [DESE – SFS Commodities Web Site](#) under the tab "Prorated Quantities and Open Order Adjustments."

- **Sliced Cheese Changes**

- USDA could not purchase the sliced cheese, [B065](#), for the original requested date. Originally a February delivery was planned but now is planned for March distribution.

- **Fruit and Nut Mix Formulation**

- The commodity Fact Sheet for Fruit and Nut Mix, [A261](#), says to "request company formulation sheet" for CN crediting. The Fruit and Nut Mix delivered to MO was equal parts, or 20%: dried figs, dried dates, dried cherries, seedless raisins, and almonds.



- **East Side Entrée Bonus Peach Cups**

- The **BONUS** peach cups available on the ESE monthly order form were not moving quickly enough to be depleted by the best-if-used by date; therefore MO has transferred the remaining balance to another state and the order form will no longer be available.

- **BONUS Cherries**



- USDA recently announced a **BONUS** opportunity on cherries resulting in MO receiving one truck (1,848 cases) of 4/4 lb bags of dried cherries, [A293](#), to be available on the March Open Order for April delivery.

- **BONUS Pork Crumbles**

- USDA recently announced a **BONUS** opportunity for fully cooked, frozen, Pork Sausage Crumbles, [A720](#). MO will be receiving 7 trucks (7,000 cases total) of 40 lb cases (8/5 lb, 5/8 lb, or 4/10 lb bags) at the beginning of SY 10-11. The **BONUS** Pork Crumbles will be available via Open Order.

- **United Commodity Group additional items**

- Unique circumstances have arisen leaving UCG with additional fruit in gelatin cups made specifically for the State of MO. There are 3 different varieties: cherry, tropical and lime. All were offered in the SY 09-10 Processing Packet. Contact Nick Goetz, 888-824-0700 ext 1133 or ngoetz@unitedcommoditygroup.com for additional information. Discounts may be available.



- **United Commodity Group, BONUS Apples**

- The **BONUS** apple items available through UCG via the [monthly order form](#) have been very popular during SY 09-10 and MO's balance is nearing depletion; *however* USDA announced another **BONUS** opportunity for apples! Additional trucks are being shipped to UCG and the **BONUS** apple items will be available the rest of SY 09-10 and will be available for SY 10-11 until all of the **BONUS** lbs of apples have been exhausted.

- **Farm-to-School**

- A meeting of farmers, schools, distributors, and government was recently held in Columbia discussing the challenges/benefits of Farm-to-School programs. Additional information can be found @ <http://extension.missouri.edu/healthylife/fts.htm>



- **Quote for the Month**

"Ability can take you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there. While there is plenty of room at the top, there is not enough room to sit down. Success and happiness are not destinations. They are exciting, never-ending journeys." Zig Ziglar, **See You at the Top.**

DESE – SFS looks forward to our journey with you to a successful and happy 2010!



Prorated Commodities for School Year 2009-2010

(The below list are the Prorated Commodities DESE, SFS anticipates receiving. *All quantities, delivery periods, and values are subject to change.*)

Prorated Commodities are USDA Donated Foods (DF), which are purchased by DESE – SFS and then equally distributed to all LEAs participating in the DF program based on their Average Daily Participation (ADP) in the National School Lunch Program. These commodities are intended to be used in the approved Child Nutrition Programs sponsored by USDA. LEAs may **REFUSE** any Prorated Commodity item they wish by having the **Authorized Representative contact DESE – SFS in writing at least six (6) weeks prior to the beginning Estimated Delivery Period**. Refusals can be sent via E-Mail to webreplyascfocom@dese.mo.gov, by Fax to 573-526-3897 or by letter to PO Box 480, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0480.

| Commodity Code | Description | Case per ADP* | Case Size | Estimated Delivery Period | Estimated per Case VALUE** |
|------------------------------|--|---------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Fruits and Vegetables | | | | | |
| A174 | Potatoes, Wedges, IQF | 44 | 6 – 5 lb bags | COMPLETE | \$ 14.25 |
| A417 | Strawberries, FRZN, Diced, 4.5 oz IND cups | 52 | 96 – 4.5 oz cups | COMPLETE | \$ 30.76 |
| A130 | Corn, FRZN, Whole Kernel | 44 | 30 lb case | COMPLETE | \$ 12.26 |
| A416 | Peaches, FRZN, Diced, 4.4 oz IND cups | 52 | 96 – 4.4 oz cups | COMPLETE | \$ 23.04 |
| A433 | Pears, CND, Sliced, Bartlett | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | COMPLETE | \$ 22.84 |
| A243 | Spaghetti Sauce, CND, Meatless | 62 | 6 – # 10 cans | COMPLETE | \$ 12.71 |
| A346 | Apple Slices, FRZN, Unsweetened | 59 | 30 lb case | COMPLETE | \$ 9.68 |
| A091 *** | Beans, Vegetarian, CND, | 68 | 6 – # 10 cans | COMPLETE | \$ 13.48 |
| A431 | Pears, CND, Halves | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | COMPLETE | \$ 23.40 |
| A204 | Potatoes, Rounds, FRZN | 44 | 6 – 5 lb bags | Dec 1, 09 – Jan 15, 10 | \$ 12.49 |
| A061 *** | Beans, Green, CND | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Jan 1, 10 – Feb 15, 10 | \$ 16.52 |
| A350 | Applesauce, CND, Unsweetened | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Dec 1, 09 – Jan 15, 10 | \$ 17.08 |
| A346 | Apple Slices, FRZN, Unsweetened | 83 | 30 lb case | Jan 1, 10 – Feb 15, 10 | \$ 9.68 |
| A942 | Beans, Pinto, DRY, Whole | 46 | 25 lb bag | Jan 1, 10 – Feb 15, 10 | \$ 9.48 |
| A409 | Peaches, CND, Clingstone, Diced | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Jan 1, 10 – Feb 15, 10 | \$ 17.54 |
| A434 | Pears, CND, Diced, Bartlett | 64 | 6 – # 10 cans | Feb 1, 10 – Mar 15, 10 | \$ 22.19 |
| A085 *** | Beans, Refried, CND | 68 | 6 – # 10 cans | Feb 15, 10 – Mar 31, 10 | \$ 21.79 |
| A210 | Potatoes, FRZN, Oven Fry, Crinkle | 44 | 6 – 5 lb bags | Feb 15, 10 – Mar 31, 10 | \$ 17.17 |
| A299 | Orange Juice, FRZN, 4 oz IND cartons | 38 | 70 – 4 fl oz cartons | Mar 1, 10 – Apr 15, 10 | \$ 7.48 |
| Meat/Meat Alternates | | | | | |
| B065 | Cheese, Sliced American, Yellow, Processed | 37 | 6 – 5 lb loaves | COMPLETE | \$ 34.52 |
| A515 | Chicken, Cut-Up, FRZN, 8 pc, Raw | 20 **** | 40 lb case | COMPLETE | \$ 26.50 |
| A608 | Beef, Raw, FRZN, Fine Ground, 85/15 | 84 **** | 4 – 10 lb packages | COMPLETE | \$ 59.54 |
| A608 | Beef, Raw, FRZN, Fine Ground, 85/15 | 44 **** | 4 – 10 lb packages | Jan 1, 10 – Jan 31, 10 | \$ 60.32 |
| A608 | Beef, Raw, FRZN, Fine Ground, 85/15 | 24 **** | 4 – 10 lb packages | Feb 1, 10 – Feb 28, 10 | \$ 61.97 |
| A515 | Chicken, Cut-Up, FRZN, 8 pc, Raw | 20 **** | 40 lb case | Jan 15, 10 – Feb 28, 10 | \$ 26.50 |
| B065 | Cheese, Sliced American, Yellow, Processed | 37 | 6 – 5 lb loaves | Mar 1, 10 – Apr 15, 10 | \$ 46.99 |
| A608 | Beef, Raw, FRZN, Fine Ground, 85/15 | MAKE UP***** | 4 – 10 lb packages | Mar 15, 10 – Apr 30, 10 | \$ 59.54 |

* Case per ADP means each LEA will receive approximately one (1) case of product for that number of Average Daily Participants. Each LEA will receive **AT LEAST** one (1) case of the product. This figure is only an ESTIMATE!

- Example: If LEA Jane Doe's ADP = 100 and A299 = 38 Case/ADP, then they could estimate to receive 2 cases of A299. (100 ÷ 38 = 2.63. Round down for estimates).

** Estimated per Case VALUE is the value figured for each case based on the estimated cost per requested truck [determined by the USDA's Electronic Commodity Ordering System (ECOS)] divided by the number of cases on each truck.

- Example: A truck of A608 is estimated by ECOS to cost \$59,540 and contain 1,000 cases; therefore the Estimated VALUE is \$59,540 ÷ 1,000 = \$59.54.

*** These commodity **BEANS** can be credited for a Vegetable **or** a Meat/Meat Alternate in Food Based Menu Planning, but cannot be credited for BOTH on the same menu.

**** Beef and Chicken Case/ADP's are determined by the response each LEA chose on the Processing Packet for School Year 2009 – 2010. If your LEA chose to process any percent of either commodity, then you must adjust the Case/ADP accordingly. If your LEA chose to process 100% of the commodity, then ZERO (0) cases will be prorated to your LEA.

- Example: If you chose to process 50% of your Chicken and your ADP is 100, then you would determine your quantity of A515 cases and multiply by 0.50 to estimate that you will receive 2 cases of A515.

(100 ÷ 20 = 5 cases), (5 cases x 0.50 = 2.5 cases) Round down for estimates.

***** MAKE UP deliveries are for LEA's who chose to defer their pounds of PORK on the Processing Packet for School Year 2009 – 2010 and receive GROUND BEEF instead.

IQF = Individually Quick Frozen

FRZN = Frozen

IND = Individual

CND = Canned